Executive Proclamation
State of South Dakota
Office of the Governor

Whereas, National Careers in Construction Week is designated to increase public awareness and appreciation of the construction craft professional and the entire construction workforce; and,

Whereas, During this week, employers, trade associations and schools are encouraged to conduct job fairs, panel discussions and local community events to inform students of the vast employment opportunities in construction; and,

Whereas, The construction industry is one of our nation's largest industries, employing 7.2 million individuals in the United States alone and the number of wage and salary jobs in the construction industry is expected to grow about 15 percent through the year 2014; and,

Whereas, The construction industry must fill 240,000 jobs each year in order to meet the growing workforce demands; and,

Whereas, We are pleased to honor the construction craft professionals and the critical role they play in the development of South Dakota; and,

Whereas, The National Center for Construction Education and Research was created by the construction industry to standardize training and enhance the industry image by promoting the hard work and dedication of our nation's craft professionals, and the center is supported by 32 national associations and their state chapters, representing more than 150,000 contractor employers; and,

Whereas, Through this unprecedented partnership, the construction industry is leading the way in providing young people career opportunities while increasing the quality of the future workforce:

Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim October 15 - 19, 2007, as

CAREERS IN CONSTRUCTION WEEK

in South Dakota.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Fifth Day of September in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Seven.

M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:

Chris Nelson, Secretary of State